



# City of Carmel

## MINUTES

### Carmel Board of Zoning Appeals

#### Hearing Officer

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

4:00 pm

Caucus Rooms

**Present:** Leo Dierckman, Hearing Officer  
Connie Tingley, Recording Secretary

**Staff members in attendance:** Mike Hollibaugh, Director, Dept. of Community Services  
Rachel Boone, Planning Administrator  
Angie Conn, Planning Administrator

**Legal Counsel:** John Molitor

#### Public Hearing

1-3. **(V) The Center for the Performing Arts – Signage**

The applicant seeks the following development standards variance approvals:

<b>Docket No. 11010002V</b>	<b>Ch. 25.07.02-11 b):</b>	<b>Sign types</b>
<b>Docket No. 11010003V</b>	<b>Ch. 25.07.02-11 d):</b>	<b>Ground sign height</b>
<b>Docket No. 11010004V</b>	<b>Ch. 25.07.02-11 c):</b>	<b>Maximum sign area</b>

The site is located at the southeast corner of City Center Dr. and 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. SW. It is zoned C-1/City Center District. Filed by the Department of Community Services on behalf of the Carmel Redevelopment Commission.

#### Present for Petitioner:

**Steve Libman** and **David Anderson**, Center for the Performing Arts; **Brandon Bogan**, CSO Architects; **Matt Worthley**, Carmel Redevelopment Commission

- Mr. Dierckman had read all the documents
- Signage crucial to ongoing positive branding for the center
- Standard signage for other performing arts centers
- Signage endorsed by CSO

#### Public Hearing closed

#### Department Report:

**Rachel Boone**

- Department supported sign types and ground sign height
- Department supported Palladium banners and Tarkington blade banners on north elevation

- Excessive size and number of banners
- Due to cost, was told those banners would not be pursued
- Technically banners are not permitted

**Department recommended positive consideration of Dockets Nos. 11010002V and 11010003 V. The Department recommended positive consideration of Docket No. 11010004V for the Palladium banners and Tarkington Blade banners, but negative consideration for all other Tarkington banners**

**Discussion:**

- Location of excessive signage indicated
- Signage needed to advertise/announce performances
- None along Monon Trail proposed
- Adequate site signage included in the sign package
- Directional signage is different from performance (advertising) signage
- Banners are often a piece of art
- Could apply later for additional banners

**Action: Mr. Dierckman APPROVED Docket Nos. 11010002 V thru 11010004 V, The Center for the Performing Arts signage, for sign types, ground sign height, and maximum sign area with the exception Docket No. 11010004 V for maximum sign area would be approved for 12 months.**

**Adjournment**

The Hearing Officer adjourned the meeting at 4:13 PM.

Approved this 25 day of January 20 11.

  
Hearing Officer – Leo Dierckman

  
Secretary – Connie Tingley